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FM AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON

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INFO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: PORTUGUESE TIMOR

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1. REFTEL REFERRED INTER ALIA TO PRESS REPORT THAT FRETILIN LEADER HORTA HAD INVITED NZ REPRESENTATIVES TO VISIT PT. EMBASSY MENTIONED THIS REPORT TO MFA'S ASIAN DIVISION HEAD, LYNCH.

2. LYNCH CONFIRMED THAT FRETILIN HAD MADE APPROACH TO GNZ ON SEPT. 12 REGARDING A FACT-FINDING MISSION TO PT, TO WHICH GNZ HAD NOT RESPONDED. HE SAID HORTA IN DISCUSSION WITH NZ EMBASSY CANBERRA ON OCT. 1 HAD INDICATED FRETILIN IS SCARED STIFF OF INDONESIAN INVASION AND TRYING TO REASSURE JAKARTA REGARDING FRETILIN'S HONORABLE INTENTIONS, WHILE SEEKING TO GET PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT RE-ENGAGED.

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HORTA HAD NOT, HOWEVER, RENEWED BID FOR GNZ INVOLVEMENT

IN SITUATION.

3. LYNCH OBSERVED THAT GNZ DOES NOT REALLY KNOW
WHETHER INDONESIA IS MOTIVATED BY A CONCERN OVER COMMUNIST
INFLUENCE IN PT OR BY A DESIRE TO "TIDY UP" THE ARCHIPELAGO.

4. MEANWHILE, PRESS REPORTS GNZ HAS MADE CLEAR ITS BELIEF
THAT JAKARTA HAS SO FAR SHOWN CONSIDERABLE RESTRAINT IN
NOT INTERVENING.
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